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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SUGAR DATA

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1. GROWERS COST OF PRODUCTION IN 1976 FOR BEETS AS ESTIMATED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA AND OTHERS AVERAGED ABOUT 1867 LIRE PER 100 KILOS. BASED ON 11 PERCENT ACTUAL RECOVERY, THE COST OF PRODUCTION AT FARM LEVEL THUS WAS 170 LIRE PER KILO OR 8.71 U.S. CENTS PER LB. REFINED BASIS AT CURRENT (887 LIRE PER U.S. DOLLAR) RATE OF EXCHANGE. BREAKDOWN BETWEEN VARIABLE AND FIXED COSTS NOT AVAILABLE.

2. IN 1976, GROWER WERE PAID 2,792 LIRE PER 100 KILOS FOR BEETS, BASIS 14 DEGREES POLARIZATION OR AN ESTIMATED 254 LIRE PER KILO OF SUGAR. THE PRICE PAID TO FARMERS IS A COMPOSIT OF: (1) EEC BASE PRICE, (2) REGIONALIZATION PREMIUM -- A SPECIAL EC CONCESSION TO ITALY BECAUSE OF LATTER'S HIGH COST OF PRODUCTION, (3) NATIONAL AID UNDER EC REGULATION 3330 OF 1974, (4) NATIONAL INTEGRATION FEE PAID BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, AND (5) REBATE OF 6 PERCENT IVA TAX.

3. THE RETAIL PRICE OF REFINED SUGAR, THE MOST COMMON SUGAR

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IN ONE KILO PACKS, SINCE FEBRUARY 1977 HAS BEEN 560 LIRE, EQUIVALENT TO 28.7 CENTS U.S. PER POUND BASED ON CURRENT RATE OF EXCHANGE (887). JANUARY THRU MARCH 1976 IT WAS 450 LIRE (26.8 CENTS AT 762 EXCHANGE RATE), APRIL THRU JULY 465 LIRE (24.7 CENTS AT 856 EXCHANGE RATE, AUGUST TO EARLY JANUARY 1977, 545 LIRE (28.9 CENTS AT 858 EXCHANGE RATE). EXCHANGE RATES ABOVE ARE SIMPLE AVERAGES OF

MONTHLY AVERAGES SUPPLIED BY ISTAT. DECEMBER 1976 TO DATE ARE
UNOFFICIAL.

4. ITALY HAS NOT EXPORTED SUGAR FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS.
THEREFORE THERE WERE NO PREFERENTIAL SHIPMENTS. GARDNER

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